

Georgia State Board of Landscape Architects

Board Meeting Open Session Minutes

January 20, 2016

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Landscape Architects met on Wednesday, January 20, 2016, at the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA 31217.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rebecca Kirk, Chairperson
Tim Lake, Vice Chairman
Jaydee Ager
Chad Baker
Scott Weinberg

STAFF PRESENT:

Darren Mickler, Executive Director
Scott Forbes, Assistant Attorney General
Somer Stafford, Licensure Analyst
Regina Saponari, Board Support Specialist

New Board Member

Newly appointed Board member was sworn into office by the Board Executive Director, Darren Mickler:

- **Scott Weinberg**

Having taken the Oath of Office, the new member was welcomed to the Board.

Open Session:

At 9:32 a.m., Chairperson Rebecca Kirk established that there was a quorum present and called the meeting to order.

Approval of Open Session Minutes:

Chairperson Rebecca Kirk presented a draft of the October 7, 2015 Open Session meeting minutes and asked for any additions or deletions. Chad Baker moved to approve the minutes as presented, Vice Chairman Tim Lake seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

RLA/PLA Discussion:

The Board acknowledged the letter from the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA). Chairperson Rebecca Kirk will draft a letter regarding the Board's stance on the matter of

licensed Landscape Architects using the *post nominal* letters “PLA” and/or “RLA.” Assistant Attorney General Scott Forbes will review for approval of draft.

Continuing Education Provider Request:

The Board reviewed a continuing education (CE) provider’s letter regarding the Board’s regulation on CE structures/restrictions. Chad Baker motioned, Jayde Ager seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to have Chairperson Rebecca Kirk draft a response to the correspondent including a provider clause and reference to the State of Georgia Regulations for Landscape Architects Rule 310-9-.04.

Rule Provider for Continuing Education:

Under the Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 310-9-.03, Jaydee Ager made a motion to formulate a Section 2 to be included in the Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 310-9-.03, Vice Chairman Tim Lake seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- **310-9-.03 Continuing Education**

- (2) The Board waives the continuing education requirement for individuals over the age of sixty-five (65) who have held a valid active license for the previous twenty-five (25) consecutive years.

Authority O.C.G.A. Sec. 43-23-7.1.

Executive Session:

At 10:11 a.m., Chairperson Rebecca Kirk moved to enter into Executive Session, in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h) and 50-14-2(1), to deliberate on applications and investigative matters and to receive an investigative report. Scott Weinberg seconded. Voting in favor of the motion were those members present who included: Vice Chairman Tim Lake, Chad Baker, and Jaydee Ager.

The Executive Session of the Georgia State Board of Registration for Landscape Architects meeting was closed at 12:00 p.m. and Chairperson Rebecca Kirk declared the Georgia State Board of Registration for Landscape Architects to be “open” pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. 0-14-1 et seq. The following Board Members were present – Vice Chairman Tim Lake, Chad Baker, Jaydee Ager, and Scott Weinberg. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

Open Session:

Approval of Executive Session Minutes:

Vice Chairman Tim Lake motioned, Chad Baker seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the Executive Session Minutes from the October 7, 2015 Board meeting.

Licenses Issued from 10.07.2015 – 01.19.2016:

Chad Baker motioned, Jaydee Ager seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to ratify the following list of licenses issued.

Licenses Issued 10.07.2015 – 01.20.2016	
License No.	Name
LA-T000052	McAlister, Ryan Charles
LA-T000053	Hilliard, Mishelle Lee
LA001740	Wentworth, David William
LA001741	Havener, Walter R
LA001742	Montgomery, Crawford Wright
LA001743	Griffin, William Moore
LA001744	Kirk, Adam Eugene
LA001745	Bartlett, Thomas G
LA001746	Doyle, Leslie Ann
LA001747	Steiner, Michael Levy
LA001748	Benson, Kirk Andrew
LA001749	Young, David M
LA001750	Sipes, James L
LA001751	White, Erin Eileen
LA001752	Lane, Sarah Abigail
LA001753	Raulerson, Matthew W
LA001754	Storck, Brittain Leigh
LA001755	Bartell, Bradley Douglas

Applications:

Vice Chairman Tim Lake motioned, Chad Baker seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to ratify approval of the following applicants to take the L.A.R.E.:

- Doherty, Jonathan Andrew
- Becker, Taylor Phillip
- Jackson, Curt Aldridge
- Quinn, Caroline Matte

Chad Baker motioned, Jaydee Ager seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to ratify approval of the following applicants for licensure by reciprocity, pending passage of the Georgia exam:

- Lane, Sarah A.
- Kraisinger, Kurt L.

- Russel Patrick B.
- Powell, Jon L.
- Errico, Michael J.
- Bartell, Bradley
- McAlister, Ryan C.
- Jackson, Curt

Vice Chairman Tim Lake motioned, Jaydee Ager seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to ratify approval of the following applicant for reinstatement of licensure:

- Gibson, James W.
- Givens, Kelly Jo
- Jackson, John III

Vice Chairman Tim Lake motioned, Jaydee Ager seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to ratify approval of the following applicant for temporary licensure:

- Macknally, Lea A.

Complaints:

The Board reviewed the following complaints:

- LA160001 - This case involves allegations of unlicensed practice. The Board reviewed the documents presented to them. Chad Baker made a motion, Vice Chairman Tim Lake seconded the motion, and the Board voted unanimously to recommend the case to Assistant Attorney General Scott Forbes for a consent order enforcing the previous Cease and Desist order.
- LA150008 - This case involves allegations of unlicensed practice. After the Board reviewed the case documents, Chad Baker made a motion to close the complaint case with a Letter of Concern. Jaydee Ager seconded the motion and the Board approved it unanimously.

Attorney General Report:

Assistant Attorney General Scott Forbes presented the report and reviewed the status of the following case:

- **Applicant No. 2468620** – Applicant's request for licensure reinstatement was reviewed by the Board. Vice Chairman Tim Lake made a motion, Jaydee Ager seconded the motion, and the Board voted unanimously to refer to the Attorney General's office to offer a public Consent Order for licensure with a \$10,000 fine and reprimand for unlicensed practice.

The next meeting of the Board will be on Wednesday, April 20, 2016 at the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:07 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Regina Saponari, Board Support Specialist
Minutes reviewed and edited by: Darren Mickler, Executive Director

Rebecca Kirk
Rebecca Kirk, Chairperson

Darren Mickler
Darren Mickler, Licensure Supervisor

These minutes were approved on: 04/20/2016